OUR FATHERLESS ONES.

"Thou Art the Helper of the Fatherless."—Psalm 10:14.

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OUR SYNODICAL ORPHANS' HOME.

PART V.

Next in the order of building came "The Alexander Industrial Building," which was undertaken and in process of building in 1902. This most useful building was erected from funds bequeathed to Barium Springs Orphans' Home, by the late Mr. S. P. Alexander of Charlotte, N. C., and is a lasting memorial of the noble heart that did not forget in disposing of his estate, the Fatherless ones at Barium Springs. This building is our power house, that supplies Rumple Hall with steam in winter; and that runs the plainer, and dresser; the cut off saw for sawing wood; the two printing presses; and here too, Mr. Sharpe keeps his supply of articles necessary in making repairs about all the other buildings. Here, for years past Mr. Sharpe has trained boys in the handling of tools, and sent them out into the world to make a good honest living: a credit to themselves, and to our beloved Institution. Here too, OUR FATHERLESS ONES has had its struggling life, and has trained boys in the Printing business that have gone out and achieved success in printing and other lines in life. We earnestly desire that our beloved church should awake to all that a large circulation means to this organ of our Home. If it is worth publishing, it is worth patronage, and we contend that no family in the Presbyterian Church of North Carolina, can keep in vital touch with our Orphanage without reading our weekly message. As well may you expect a bright light from a power house when you cut off the current. Apart from its value as a weekly bulletin of the happenings at Barium Home, this paper is valuable in giving our boys a trade that is always a good living. With such a patronage as its constant readers say it deserves, OUR FATHERLESS ONES should be a good asset in the Home, and will be. We are now at the point where we are within reach of self-support, and with an increase which we have a right to expect, we should be a dividend payer before the end of the year.

Other Orphanage papers pay because they have the patronage of the Churches, if ours does not pay it will be for lack of proper support. We should make this Alexander Building a great asset in the Home. There is room there for a broom factory, and other industries too, and we should go on in our work of training the boys in various handi-crafts that shall give a steady increase to our income, and prepare the boys, for their struggle with the problem of a living.

[To be Continued.]

A PICTURE OF OUR FAMILY WHEN IT WAS CONSIDERABLY SMALLER

THE SOURCE OF STRENGTH.

In Virginia, just after the Civil War, I knew a sweet and aged gentlewoman who had lost her former wealth and been reduced to poverty by the storm of blood and steel that had swept over the land. I never met her that I was not warmed by the glow that transfigured her noble face; I never talked with her that I was not uplifted and strengthened; I never heard her utter a moan or a single weak complaint. She was busy in ways that had not been hers in youth, but her strength was equal to her day. Once I ventured to ask what she did with her mornings, for I had discovered that she was never disturbed by her family after she went to her room and closed the door, when her early housekeeping duties had been accomplished.

She said, simply, "It has always been my custom to spend two hours every day in reading and meditation, waiting on the Lord; not asking Him for things, but sitting still, that he may speak to me." No wonder this saintly matron not only had her daily bread till the end of her day, but her daily flowers to distribute to neighbors and friends.—Margaret E. Sangster.

GOD IN THE AFFAIRS OF MEN.

"I have lived, sir, a long time"—he was eighty-one years old and within three years of his end—"and the longer I live the more canvincing proofs I see of this truth, that God governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall with out his notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without his aid?" These were the words of Benjamin Franklin before the Convention in Philadelphia, which framed the Constitution of the United States. He was moving the resolution to have the assembly open with prayer, morning by morning; at the time when there seemed no hope of an agreement upon the matter of numerical representation between the larger and smaller States, and when two whole months has been consumed in acrimonious debate. It may be interesting to recall the wording of his resolution. It ran as follows: "That henceforth prayer, imploring the assistance of heaven and its blessing on our deliberations, he held in this assembly every morning before we proceed to business, and that one or more of the clergy of this city be requested to officate in that service."

He quoted in advocacy of the measure the exclamation of the psalmist: "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that built it." He said he firmly believed these words, and added that without God's concurring aid that Convention would succeed no better "in their political building, "than did the builder of Babel.

And it was he who finally solved the question in dispute, granting to all the States equal representation in the Upper House, and representation according to their population in the Lower, where all financial bills originate. The garnered wisdom of four score years endorsed the maxim as a political principle: "Except the Lord built the house, they labor in vain that built it."—Rev. W. F. Bishop, in Christian Observer.

RAILROAD MAN'S PRAYER.

Eloquent Petition of Rev. George Stewart at a Gathering of Railroad Men.

The following eloquent prayer was uttered by Rev. George B. Stewart, the evangelist, at a meeting of railroad men. It has been published in tract form for distribution in honor of the late Mr. Hargrave Allen of Wadesboro, who was very fond of reading it. Being called upon to pray, Mr. Steawrt said:

"O Lord, we meet as a body of railroad men, with our wives and daughters, to consult for our interest. We are reminded that life itself is a train and the road to heaven a railroad; God's truth the rail: God's love the fire, and His promises the signal lights. O Lord, we recognize thee as the General Manager of our road, the Superintendent of our train, and our Chief Dispatcher. Thou didst survey the right of way, and thy Son purchased it with his blood. Thou didst lay the track and ballasted the road; thou hast furnished the rolling stock, thou art the owner and controller of it all. We look to thee for all our orders, and thou must sign the checks for our daily bread. Be merciful in handling our human mistakes and blunders and do not discharge thy unworthy servants.

"We are grateful for the Bible, thy book of rules and instructions; be merciful in our examination and look with charity upon our failures. Thy promises and warnings are the head light and hand lanterns, help us to use them so as to save our train from wreck. Deliver us from broken rails, blind switches, false signals and mistaken orders. Be with us on every high bridge of responsibility, on every sharp curve of emergency, and in every dark tunnel of trouble let the light of thy promises shine out bright. Grant passes for our wives and children and let them go with us. When the storms of temptation and trials come, save us from the fatal slides and washouts that have wrecked so many trains on the road of life. Let our way, keep secure by the guardian care, always show the steel rail and rock ballast, and be solid and firm and free from obstruction placed for the wreckage of our train. May the emergency brake of a strong will save us.

CAUSE FOR REJOICING.

"The Charlotte Chronicle" in an article "good management" tells us Our Baptist Brethren at Thomasville are out of debt and have money in the Treasury." An Orphanage out of debt: how good that sounds, we congratulate Brothers Johnson and Kesler—and hope they will get the new dormitory that they so much need. This they are sure to get, for we have yet to see anything that Thomasville Orphanage really needs that it dont get.

We have been hoping that Orange and Mecklenburg presbyteries would come up with the building's they purposed to erect at Barium. Brethren, "Arise and build."

GOOD MANAGEMENT.

The Chronicle has never felt inclined to withhold praise for the management of the Baptist Orphanage, at Thomasville. Whether in normal times or in times of distress it is of the best. It is particularly successful from a financial point of view. Always under a strain, but always making both ends meet, the institution is now out of debt—does not owe a dollar. In making this gratifying announcement, Editor Johnson in Charity and Children says: "This is the first time since the writer's connection with the institution began, fifteen years ago, that this statement, at this season of the year, could truthfully be made. One reason for this happy financial situation is that the treasury has not been raided this year to make up a deficit in the building fund. Heretofore, much of the current fund was temporarily diverted from its purpose, to pay off workmen, and drove the treasurer to the banks and forced him to pay interest on money that should have gone into the running expenses of the institution." It appears that the orphanage needs more room. It is now caring for 385 children and the institution is crowded. A call will be made for the addition of another dormitory making the eleventh home to the orphanage group. During the past year, there were only two deaths. The average health record has been high. The splendid infirmary which bears the noble name of "Womans Building," has vindicated the wisdom of the builders. The small pox was stayed in its beginning. The only cases it had was those this developed at first. As to the record of the intitution, Charity and Children says: "Twenty five years lie behind the Orphanage. They have been eventful years. More than a thousand children have had a happy home within its walls. Upon its ample bosom these homeless ones have laid their heads secure and safe from the tempests of sin that raged without. The loving kindness of the Lord has marked every step of the long andwinding way. Indeed the towering lesson the orphanage has brought to the world is that in spite of the blunders, the folly and even the opposition of men the Lord has led it safely on and kept watch above His own." In the Thomasville Orphanage, the Baptists have an institution in which they may well take pride.—Charlotte Chronicle.

We learn from "The Gastonia Gagette," that 58 Textile Plants in six Counties—representing Seven hundred thousand splindles, have signed an agreement to Close for four weeks during July and August.

This we are told "takes four million pounds of yarn and cloth off the market."

This is a wise thing to do, it relieves congestion—gives rest to men, women, and children, as well as machinery: and will have its effect in Stimulating a good fall trade for all textile out put.

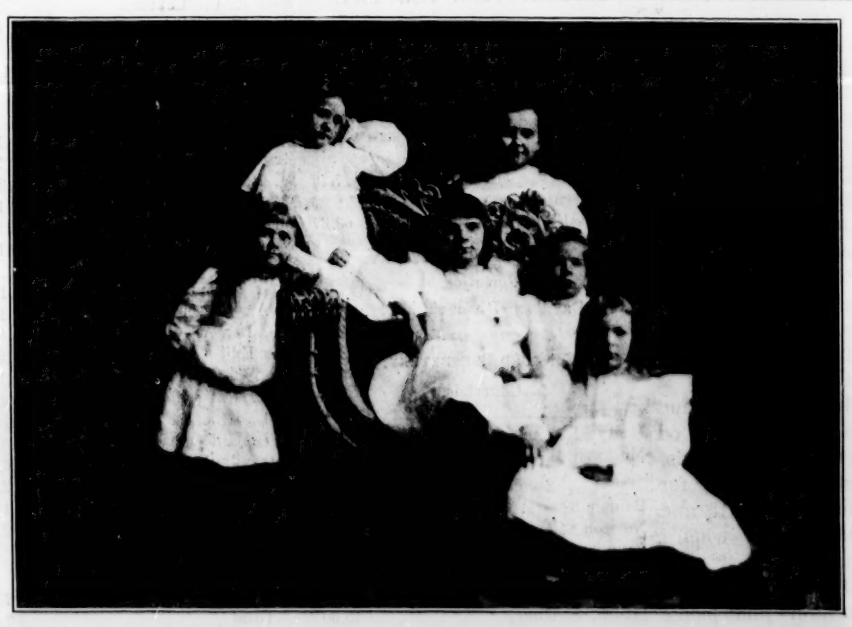
Our mill men will see to it, that their skilled labor does not suffer during the rest, and all will go to work again with reneived energy and hope.

TOTING HER OWN SKILLET.

With great pride can a North Carolinian point to our recent Bond issue, and rejoice in the fact that nearly three Millions of our state loan was taken within our own borders. The time (let us hope) has psssed, when "the old North State" will have to go with hat in hand and beg Wall Street to lend her a little money. While all Federal Legislation of late has tended to force to the great centers like New York, the money of the country, we believe that with strong financial Institutions at home, we can manage to hold our own money, and to offer our people even better investments than they can find outside.

The malevolent influence of that Southern renegade Carlisle, (who in the pay of the sharks who hold those fraudulant bonds of North Carolina) tried his best to destroy her credit in New York, that influence, fell paralyzed, before the announcement, that North Carolina did not need Wall Street.

The new bond issues was not only taken but over subscribed, the sons of the dear old Commonwealth came flocking to her aid and thus gave testimony to their loyalty, and to their unfailing faith in her credit and honor. Let other States that boast so much, produce a parallel to this.



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Thursday, July 21, 1910.

FIELD NOTES.

The growing pushing city of Durham is a marvel of twentieth century growth, and in point of financial strength, can hold her own with any of the young cities, that are now clamoring for first place in North Carolina.

The oldest inhabitant remembers when there was no Durham; the next oldest remembers a wayside station on the old North Carolina Railroad, with a depot, a blacksmith shop, and a few scattering shanties called Durham.

Among the early settlers here was W. T. Blackwell (generally known as Buck Blackwell,) and some of the leading streets in Durham—Buck Blackwell laid off with a plow, guided by his own hands. Then came Julian S. Carr and joined Blackwell in the manufacture of "Bull Durham Smoking Tobacc." Then came the Dukes and established a Tobacco plant here that has become world famous.

For several years the Dukes were an independent concern, and accumulated money rapidly in the manufacture of cigarettes, and then came the forming of "The American Tobacco Company," that has now a dominating influence in the Tobacco Trade of the World. Durham became known as the seat of the largest Tobacco works in the world, and from a wayside hamlet, has grown to be a rich and prosperous city; its trade extending over every continent, from the frozen regions of the north even to the far away islands of the south sea.

The Durham people are a busy people, but if you can gain their attention, they are always ready to listen respectfully to any reasonable proposition.

I find our very good friend Mr. Geo. W. Watts on a tour of pleasure to the old world, and I am very sure that he never forgets, amid all life's pleasures and prosperity, the Orphans at Barium Home. But I miss his genial smile, and welcome suggestions as to how to get at the people.

This is an unfortunate time to visit Durham from the fact that so many of her people go away in the summer. Quite a number of those I wished to see are away, but I shall have a chance to present our cause to the Sunday School on Sunday, and hope that OUR FATHERLESS ONES will find a good many friends among the children.

I met with a good stroke of fortune on Saturday. On calling on Mr. Jno. M. Rose Jr. (a large cotton buyer here) he expressed a desire to support one of our Orphans, so pledged $25.00 per quarter for that purpose. Mr. Rose has a brother, Dr. A. S. Rose of Fayetteville, N. C., who supports an Orphan too, so it seems to run in the family, and those Roses are all of the good kind, fragrant with good deeds.

I shall leave Durham for Raleigh on Monday the 11th and be there until Friday, when I shall start homeward.

While in Durham it was my pleasure to attend a joint picnic of all the Presbyterian Sunday Schools (3) at Lakewood Park. Quite a large crowd filled the Street Cars and the beautiful grounds were soon alive with happy children on pleasure bent. The merry-go-round did a lively business. The children were all eager to ride, and it mattered not to them whether they were mounted on a donkey, hobly horse, camel, or what not, so they were going. The day was, oh so hot! and the very happiest fellows I saw, were the boys and young men splashing around in the swimming pool. Certainly they got more comfort out of the day than anyone else. About one o'clock a number of tables were well filled with all sorts of good things, and Dr. Leyburn called every one up, asked a blessing, and—if ever you saw provisions disappear they did on this occasion. I could have imagined that our hungry fishing crowd from Barium Springs had got the first show at this bountiful table, the execution was so effective. But all had a plenty and the day, so far as we know, was one of unalloyed pleasure.

I reached Raleigh on Monday evening, and found that the heat was even ahead of me and waiting to do business. On the run from Durham, we passed through a transcient shower and oh! how cool those drops felt, but they were not enough to give comfort but for a little while. Raleigh is the mecca of our politicians, and just on the eve of the Charlotte Convention, the leaders are hob-nobbing about here, and the buzzing is like a bumble-bee in a tar barrel. Our Editor called on the Governor today as he knew him in "ye olden time" before he climbed so high.

He found him the same genial friendly comrade he was when but a plodding brief hunter, but he has grown to be the handsomest Governer our state has given us, since the days of Graham and Manly. Who should I find in the Governor's office but Ex-Governor Jarvis, that old wheel horse of Democracy, [who has a genial shake for every one, and who has not forgotten the art of getting near to the people.

Walking along the street I met an old friend whom I had not seen in thirty years, and he presented me to Ex-Governor Aycock, the orator Governor, whose silver tongue is welcomed on every hustings in the State. It is not often that a man meets three Governors in one day, besides other state officials, tell our boys, they must treat me with distinguished courtesy on my return for I have been swimming with the big fish.

Notwithstanding the heat I have secured seven new subscribers, and the first one I obtained was our distinguished Educator, President D. H. Hill of A. & M. College.

I am meeting a most gracious reception in Raleigh.

WM. LAURIE HILL.

CASH RECEIPTS.

SUPPORT FUND FOR MAY.

May	$889.06

ALBERMARLE PRESBYTERY.

Churches.

1st Ch. Raleigh	50.00

Sunday Schools.

Goldsboro	7.20
New Bern	6.07
Total	63.27

ASHEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

Societies.

L. A. Davidson River ch.	7.00
Total	7.00

CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

Churches.

Central	10.64
Unity	5.00
Mocksville	4.50

Sunday Schools.

Banner Elk	5.25
Newton	25.00
Cannonville	5.00
Thyatira	5.70
Siloam	1.90
1st Ch. Salisbury	15.00
Back Creek	3.02
Hickory	11.59

Societies.

Pres. Brotherhood, Lenoir	6.00
L. A. S. Mooresville	1.20
L. A. S. Marion	.25
L. H. M. S. Statesville	1.25
Miriams 1st Ch. Statesville	1.50
Total	102.80

FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

Churches.

Bethel	27.00
Aberdeen	200.00

Sunday Schools

Pittsboro	1.06
Bethesda	9.75
Raeford	7.07
Union	2.08

Societies.

L. A. S. Rowland	12.00
L. M. S. Bethesda ch.	12.50
Total	271.46

KINGS MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERY.

Churches.

Shelby	3.52

Sunday Schools.

Belmont	7.43
Total	10.95

MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY

Churches

Porter	1.66

Sunday Schools.

Paw Creek	5.29
Pineville	4.15
Lincolnton	12.00
Westminster	6.00

Societies.

L. A. & O. S. Charlotte	26.00
Total	55.10

ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

Churches.

High Point	6.00
Alamance	8.94
Ashboro	8.00
Fairfield	1.50
Hawfields	.21
Ch. of Covenant	8.00
N. Eno	1.30
Milton	4.00
New Hope	7.36
Pine Hall	2.00
Springwood	1.96

Sunday Schools.

1st Ch. Winston	12.40
N. Wilkesboro	5.90
High Point	6.00
1st Ch. Concord	11.12
1st Ch. Durham	22.72
Bethel	2.87
Edgemont	10.00
Westminster	24.00

Societies.

L. A. & M. Gree-	[illegible]
L. A. S. 1st Ch. Durham	9.50
Winston D. C. R. M. S. Soc.	15.00
Total	174.78

WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

Sunday Schools.

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Wallace	3.28
Total	9.53

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Mrs. E. H. Williamson	1.50
Mrs. Jas. Fowle	1.50
Mrs. W. E. Merritt	1.25
Mrs. Jno. McIver	1.25
Mrs. A. P. Thorpe	3.00
J. R. Kenion	5.00
T. J. Stone	6.00
Mrs. H. G. Strayhorn	1.25
E. A. Snow	6.00
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A friend in Alamance	6.00
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R. E. Rawles	14.40
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Williamson, Baker & Dupuy	6.00
Statesville Female College	10.83
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Maud Rea	1.25
Tom Sloan	3.25
K. A. McLeod	2.00
Chas. Rankin	6.00
Mrs. H. A. Tate	1.10
Hugh Watson	.25
The Witherspoon Children	1.25
Miss Irma Carraway	2.50
Miss E. C. Leyburn	2.50
Geo. W. Campbell	5.00
Miss Luna Wells	1.25
Total	114.43

PRESS FUND.

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Mrs. L. W. Saunders	1.00
W. L. Hill [subs]	11.00
W. C. Herndon	1.00
Mrs. Kate Shore	.50
A. J. Thomas	1.00
W. A. Watson	1.00
Mrs. Ben Arey	1.00
Miss Exie Croom	2.00
Geo. W. Campbell	1.00
W. L. Hill [subs]	4.50
W. L. Hill	7.00
W. L. Hill [adv]	26.50
Statesville House Fur. Co. [adv]	6.25
T. B. Bailey (subs)	2.00
W. S. Covington	1.00
Total	72.50

ELECTRIC LIGHT FUND

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Lv Wilson	8 12am	6 22pm		7 57am
Lv Farmville	9 06am	7 16pm		8 49am
Lv Greenville	9 35am	7 45pm		9 17am
Lv Chocowinity	10 15am	8 25pm		9 57am
Lv Washington	10 30am	ar8 40pm		1 00pm
Lv Mackeys Ferry	12 30pm			5 00pm
Lv Edenton	2 00pm	† 7 45am	* 3 15pm	5 00pm
Ar Elizabeth City	3 00pm	8 55am	4 25pm	6 10pm
Ar Norfolk	4 25pm	10 40am	6 10pm	7 55pm
Lv Raleigh	* 6 15am	* 4 25pm		‡ 6 00am
Ar Chocowinity	10 15am	8 25pm		9 57am
Lv Chocowinity	10 59am		* 5 27pm	10 00am
Ar New Bern	12 10pm		6 40pm	11 10am
Lv Goldsboro		† 7 00am	† 4 20pm	
Lv Kinston		7 55am	5 20pm	
Ar New Bern		9 05am	6 35pm	
Lv New Bern		9 16am	6 45pm	11 15am
Ar Morehead City		10 43am	8 08pm	12 15pm
Ar Atlantic Hotel		10 50am	8 10pm	12 19pm
Ar Beaufort		11 05am	8 25pm	12 30pm

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OUR FATHERLESS ONES.

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HOME HAPPENINGS.

Miss Mc Eachin, left on Friday the 15th for a vacation which she is spending at Montreat. It is needless to say that she will have a most enjoyable time.

Miss Shellem seems to be getting hold of "the little fellows" at Synod's Cottage all right, and we look for some good work along the line of Boy-ology, for she understands them.

The Elmwood picnic which is held every year for the benefit of our Orphanage, comes off on Thursday the 21st (this week.) Our Children always look forward to it with much pleasure and will, (they always do) have a good time.

Sad is it to see the state of Illinois has put "The Bible," God's word, out of their public schools. It is a solemn deed that is evil, and only evil. We would not like to rear a family of children in Illinois, or in any state that so deliberately turns its back on God.

Our children seem to be blessed with what Mr. Shakespere called "an infinite digestion." We noticed them at dinner last Saturday, eating great slices of cucumber. and they were washing them down with buttermilk. Now if our Editor had tried that, we should have had, internal insurrection without fail.

Our Editor had quite a pleasant home coming; finding that in his absence, his room had been thoroughly renovated, a new shade adorned the window, and as one of our chaps would say, "he didn't know where he was at." He is getting used to more sumptuous conditions, and likes his surroundings fine.

Our Dining Hall seems quite still and quiet these days. The absence of our July boys and girls makes a number of tables unnecessary, and yet, we have a large family left. When our August Contingent take their flight we shall have still more stillness. Many of them are counting the days, and yet, how glad they are to get back.

One of our bright girls, Katie Piner, had quite a painful accident a few days ago. She was carrying a vessel containing hot starch, her foot slipped, and the starch flew up into her face, burning her severely. Fortunately her eyes were not injured and the burns are healing, but it will be a delicate job to heal, without leaving a few little scars: this we hope to do.

The ladies aid society of Philadelphia church at Mint Hill N. C. write us through Mrs John Greer that they will fill one hundred fruit jars with fruit for us. The jars will be promptly sent and we are so thankful they are thinking of us when the Orchards are just hanging with fruit, only waiting to be gathered. Surely Barium Home has many thoughtful and loving friends.

A letter from Mrs Ed Brown of Loray informs us, that the ladies of Concord Church would take pleasure in filling five dozen jars of fruit for us; and asking that we send the jars. We will gladly send the jars and would here express ous gratitude to the dear people all around, who are remembering, us now, when fruit is so abundant. It means much to us during the coming winter.

Loy Hartsell was standing at our Editors desk the other day and seeing a bump on his forehead said. "How come that bump on you?" The reply was "I bumped my head upon a desk and made it." "Why" said he "it looks like it would have went back down" "Ah" but it did'nt "went back down" little man, here it is. So is it with many bumps on human character, they dont go back down, but stay with us.

Among the good things that came to Thornwell Orphanage in the month of June was thirteen barrels of flour. Oh: how many good biscuit and pones of hurry bread, that does mean. The Lord gave us in June a crop of wheat that will yeld (if ground) about 35 Barrels, and our farm boys, can say "we helped the the Lord make that." But, our wheat is so fine: we expect to sell it for seed, and realize enough to purchase more than 35 Barrels of Flour.

We took a Stroll the other day through the Orchard at Barinm Lodge and it was a sight,! Fruit! Fruit! Fruit!

The plums were the most, and the finest, we ever saw—and still there seems no sale for them. They can hardly be given away in our cities, and are rotting on the ground. Some of the limbs are hanging over—trailing on the ground—and all full of fruit. This is certainly a fruit year, and if the old rule holds good—should be a very healthy summer.

Rev. W. T. Walker preached at Mooresville on last Sunday, and we were to have a supply for Little Joe's Church from Statesville, but doubtless owing to the rain storm about two o'clock which threatened to last, our preacher failed to come. We had a praise service conducted by Mr. Wm. Laurie Hill, who gave a short talk on the calling of Peter and Andrew, James and John, and the wonderful growth of the Church of Jesus Christ, beginning with only a feeble few, rough and unlettered fishermen.

We have had a delightful visit from our honored friend Mr J. C. Burroughs of Charlotte who has been spending a few days at "Barium Lodge." He took a survey of the Burrough's Building and was much pleased at the care that had been taken of it. He requested Mr Sharpe to furnish him an estimate of the cost of two coats of paint on the outside, he proposes to put the building in through order. Mr Burroughs was delighted at his stay at Barium Lodge, and we wish he would come to see us often. He says he "never saw our Barium Home looking so beautiful as it does now."

It is not often that we write of a railroad wreck as a "Home Happening" but the wreck of a freight train on the Southern Road within little over a mile from our home, brings it very near us, and our children have been very much exercised about it. On last Saturday the 16th about noon the north-bound freight passed our home all-right but just a little beyond us owing to the spreading of a rail, several cars jumped the track, a numder were capsized, and there was wreck and ruin of property. Never was such a wreck dealt with more promptly. The wrecking crew went to work and were nearly all Saturday night getting the track clear and ready for service. Mean while passenger trains went around by Barbors Junction, and there was little interruption of travel. We are sorry for "the Southern" in the serious loss entailed by an unavoidable accident. So deep an interest did our children take in the wreck, that many of them visited the scene and were much troubled to know how "all this mess" was to be cleared up.

That was a sad accident in Statesville on Monday the 18th. A Mr. R. L. Mills who formerly lived near Oswalt, was in town with a load of wood, and near the Lumber Yard Crossing his team became frightened at a train, and ran against a car, overturning the wagon load of wood upon him, and causing his death. He was a worthy christian citizen and leaves a wife and eight children.

MOORESVILLE PICNIC.

We have just receive the announcement of the Sixteenth Annual Picnic at Mooresville, N. C. to be held on Thursday July 28th at Templeton's Grove a suburb of Mooresville.

Excursion Trains will be run from Statesville, Winston-Salem Salisbury, Charlotte, Taylorsville, Hickory, and all intermediate Stations.

This great picnic is held every year for the benefit of "Barium Springs Orphanage" and means so much to us, who are the beneficiaries. People come from many Counties; the woods are full of people, and the assembling of so many horses, carriages and autos, and every description of vehicle, even to the ox cart: is a sight only witnessed once a year, and at Mooresville.

There will be addresses, music by the Mooresville Military Band, a wonderful picnic dinner, and as much innocent pleasure as can be packed into a few hours.

The writer has attended one of these Annuals, and if this one does as much to send joy and comfort to Barium Home as those preceeding it, we shall feel very grateful to a generous hearted people. We will be there.

THE LIPPARD RE-UNION.

On Saturday the 16th of July a most enjoyable social event took place at the home of Mr. J. A. Lippard in honor of his mother, Mrs. Margaret E. Lippard, now 87 years old. Gathered under this hospitable roof were about twenty-five members of the family, and at least seventy-five guests.

Among the relatives we mention Mrs. Litaker who has four children, Mrs. Little who is the mother of a large family, and Mrs. Margaret Lippard who has six children.

These venerable ladies came from their own homes to do honor to their aged relative Mrs. Margaret E. Lippard.

This mother in Israel has five sons and three daughters living: Messrs. Jesse, Jacob, John, Irene, and Martin; and Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Suther, and Mrs. Stevenson.

The Lippard family have been holding this re-union every year for the past eight years. They held the first one when Mrs. Margaret Lippard was 79 years of age.

This was a delightful gathering, many friends and neighbors were present, and an abundant feast was spread. Mr. Walker, Mrs. Leonard, and several of the children from our Home were invited, and all returned much pleased with the happy occasion.

We give here, the closing paragraph of the Railroad Man's Prayer which was omitted in the prayer as given on the first page.

RAILROAD MAN'S PRAYER.

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The following description of The Conference at Asheville, N. C. is sent us by our Barium Home Teacher, Miss Leyburn, who attended its sessions and gives a good account of its work.

THE CONFERENCE AT ASHEVILLE.

Asheville has truly been called the "Land of the Sky," and after secing the scenery and these beautiful mountains around on every side it indeed seems to be from the valley of service to the heights of inspiration. The Normal and Collegiate Institute is situated on one of the heights. Over across on the other side of the mountain is the Vanderbilt estate, the palace is built of white marble and it is said that the foundation cost over one million dollars. Back of the Institute grounds is Victoria Inn, a place which is much frequented by visitors from the North and South. As you look over in another direction Battery Park may be seen in the distance and on every side mountains beautiful in their grandeur.

The Normal and Collegiate grounds are beautifully kept. Near the entrance is the Chapel which is of stone and is partly covered with ivy. The interior of the Chapel is carried out in the color scheme of green, there being a large main room and connected with this by sliding doors, separate rooms which probably are used in Sunday School work. The organ is a splendid pipe organ, the gift of some friend of the school. Next to the Church is the Normal building, four stories high, which contains the domitory rooms, class rooms, dining-room and kitchen. Across the lawn is the Home Industrial building which is used entirely for girls from 14 to 16. Opposite this is the Pease house, used for the smallest children. The history of the school and its development is interesting. The entire school is under the control of the Northern Presbyterian Church, and was established with the view of educating the mountain girls. Dr. Pease having come to Asheville a number of years ago, seeing the need of education among these girls, offered this land, (with the condition that it be used for the purpose of a school) to his own church board, the Methodists. They did not see their way clear to take up the work, so he then offered it to the Northern Presbyterian Board. His offer was accepted by the Presbyterians and the school was begun with one building. From this small beginning the work has grown to the larger work of to-day.

As to the work of the Conference, the days are full of good and helpful things. Some of the most energetic ones begin the day by rising at 5:30 to see the sun rise, but all are expected to rise at 6:30; breakfast at 7:30; Bible classes from 10:00 to 11:00; Conferences or Platform meeting until 12:30; Dinner from 12:30 to 1:30; Rest hour from 2:00 to 3:00; Supper at 6:30; Volunteer Band meeting at 7:15; Platform meeting at 7:45; Delegation meetings at 9:00; Light bell at 10:15.

It would be hard indeed to select the best things but I will tell you of some of the things which have seemed best to me. In the Bible study classes, the class in Acts which is taught by Dr. Hulley, President of Stetson University, Florida. The Book of Acts was treated first from a literary standpoint, then a critical study, and with it all the spiritual side of the book emphasized and brought out. In the mission study classes, The Uplift of China. As you study the condition of China and the many interesting things about the country, your interest is deepened and you see as never before what it will mean to the Church, if China may be fully awakened and Christianized. The leader in charge of the volunteer Band, will go to China in the fall as a missionary. The two platform meetings which have been most powerful had as their subject, The Life Surrendered to God. The address which has made the greatest impression on the Conference was delivered by Rev. Pratt of Atlanta. The Text was: "The Master has come and calleth for thee." The thought brought out was: "How will we answer Him?" The great need was presented also what it means to each one to surrender their life completely to God, willing to allow Him to plan our lives in every detail. The World's Secretary who has just returned from Berlin, and a visit to several countries of the Orient spoke one morning concerning the girls of these heathen countries, telling of their life and what the Christian religion means to them. Some of the pleasures of the Conference have been the leaders whom you learn to know and the people of different states. On Monday afternoon a reception was given, on the College campus, to all the Conference. Tuesday afternoon was association day. All of the delegations formed in line and marched all around the campus, then each state gave there state song, or something characteristic. Each delegation had their seperate stunt, some of them were quite good. Georgia, Atlanta, Mississippi, and Florida were dressed to represent their characteristic flower, the whole being one large flower garden. Alabama girls were dressed to represent sunflowers, and had a representation of a fence over which the sunflowers were peeping. This delegation has done more for the cause of Y. W. C. A. work than any of the others.

As one of the leaders expressed it, the thought which comes to you most often during the Conference is, When it has been given to us to have a vision of our Master and of what life may be, what will it mean in after life? The spiritual atmosphere which pervades the place has to be felt not described. As you see so many people whose lives are entirely spirit filled, there being no thought of self, you see more clearly that it is the only life which is worth living and that it is only when we have our lives entirely given to God that he can use us best. Some of the work which has been done by Him through human lives is brought home to us. Another impression is the way in which the Golden rule is lived, every one is considering and helping some one else. The thought which has come to me most often has been "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help." The realization that the Life of Service for Him is the only life, and that it is only by giving our life completely into His hands and though His help that we may accomplish His plans.

(MISS) ELIZABETH LEYBURN.

TRAINING THE YOUNG.

Begin with the young. The young are impressible. They are free from prepossessions. They are as clay in the hands of wise and loving authority. Let parents see that children are given a fair chance at good health. Bodily weakness may be, of itself, a temptation to drink. Let parents see also that the child early learns habits of self-control. Self-control is the root of all great character. Strong drink may not be much of a temptation to the boy or girl in the Sabbath school class. There may be, however, other indulgences less threatening in themselves, but quite as perilous in ministering the temper of self-gratification and selfwill. People who have never acquired the hardihood of selfdenial are powerless in the presence of strong temptationr Trust the devil to find a man's weak point. The growing boy or girl needs good garrisoning, and good garrisoning is secured by the cultivation of unclouded reason, quick conscience and spiritual susceptibility, to all of which the child may be disciplined by watchful and gracious oversight. Remember that it is character, which equips one for the struggle of life. One may be thourghly informed in physiology and in the toxic properties of alchol and be none the stronger for an hour of temptation. Aim, therefore, at temperance in its root idea—the idea of self-control. Susannah Wesley gave her son John a bit of true wiscom in the injunction: "Would you judge of the unlawfulness of pleasure? Take this rule: Whatever weakens your reason, the tenderness of your conscience, obscures your sense of God, or take off the relish of spiritual things—whatever incaeares the authority of your body over yonr mind—that thing, to you, is sin."—Northwestern Christian Advocate.

YOUR DOORYARD

Travel is a great education, and we all attend her school; It is not to be expected that we shall all be able to visit the peaks of the Himalayas, or even explore the rugged fastnesses of the Alps, but it is a long journey from the dooryard to the front gate of the country home if one travels it rightly. If we know all the grasses and flowers and pebbles, we will have a fair start toward an education: And there is room for wonder, too. If a man does not see the wisdom and majesty of God as clearly written in the ways and instincts of the ants as they are on the snowy summits of the stupendous mountains, it is simply because he knows nothing about the ants. He has neglected his education. Crudeness appreciates bigness, but culture marvels at the minute. The schoolboy gaps with with open mouth at the huge plaster buildings of some world's fair exhibition, but the master mechanic takes in its effect at a glance, and enters to stand at some showcase lost in admiration at the mechanism of a tiny watch, or set of balances. The building is largely the work of the hodcarrier, but the watch is the product of machines of which were themselves the product of machines unto the tenth generation, and the final product of a mass of brains which would half-way fill an exposition building. Seek to see God in your own dooryard, and do not waste time coveting somebody else's dooryard which would not probably serve your purpose any better, and remember that the infinity of littleness is as wide an infinity as that of bigness if you doubt it ask some professor who owns a microcope. —Selected.

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